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SUBJECT: COURT-MARTIAL OF US SIKH CONVERTS IN WEST GERMANY

REF: (A) NEW DELHI 12426 (B) STATE 21245 (C) BONN 15696

1. SINCE REFTEL (A) WAS SENT, EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM THE NEW DELHI SIKH CURDWARA BOARD PROTESTING THE ACTION OF THE US ARMY IN CONVICTING TWO AMERICAN SIKH SOLDIERS OF DISRESPECT AND DISOBEDIENCE FOR REFUSING TO REMOVE THEIR BEARDS AND TURBANS. THE DELHI GURDWARA BOARD ASKED THAE AMBASSADOR TO CONVEY TO AMERICAN AUTHORITIES ITS "DEEPLY INJURED FEELINGS" AND ASKED THAT STEPS BE TAKEN TO VOID THE JUDGMENT OR AT LEAST TO SUSPEND THE EXECUTION OF THE SENTENCE.

2. EMBASSY APPRECIATES THAT DOD ACTION IN CHECKING ON THE CASE, AS PROMISED IN REFTEL (B), TAKES TIME, BUT WE ARE IN NEED OF INFORMATION WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO REPLY TO COMMUNICATIONS WHICH WE RECEIVE ON THIS SENSITIVE ISSUE. REFTEL (C) WAS VERY HELPFUL BACKGROUND INFORMATION, BUT WE ARE OF COURSE NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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